

Frequently Asked Questions Fire Inspection Fees

Is this a new service?

No, the Santa Clara County Fire Department performs annual inspections as required by law. On August 24, 2005, the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill adopted fees for these services to become effective September 26, 2005.

Why am I being charged for a Fire Inspection?

The California Health and Safety Code provides for the City to collect a fee for the inspection. In addition, the City's Municipal Code, and adopted City policy, is to recover costs from the users of special services. The adopted fees are set to recover the costs of annual Fire and Safety inspections.

Who will perform my Fire Inspection?

The Fire Prevention Division provides an annual inspection program that is delivered through both Prevention Division and fire station personnel. All Department personnel are part of the fire prevention team. Annual inspections are conducted to insure reasonable compliance with the general and specific fire safety regulations for each occupancy type as specified in the adopted Fire and Building Codes.

Can I perform my own Inspection?

Most locations are required to have an annual inspection. There are a few exceptions to this rule. To determine if you qualify for self inspection please contact the Fire Department at 408-378-4010.

How much do I have to pay?

Fire inspections conducted by the fire department are \$231.00. Self-inspections are \$19.00. The City of Morgan Hill will invoice you for the fee based on inspection data received from the Fire Department on an annual basis. (These fees are subject to review each year).

If you have additional questions regarding the billing for this service please contact the Finance Dept. at (408) 779-7237.